## **Important Town Information**

TOWN OFFICE HOURS
Monday 9AM –4PM
Tuesday 9AM-4PM
Wednesday 9AM-Noon, 1:30-4PM
Thursday 10AM – 6PM
Friday 8AM-4PM
Saturday 8AM – Noon (1 <sup>st</sup> & last of month)

Occasionally, the town office is closed for vacation, classes or meetings. We suggest you call ahead of time. Town office phone is 667-2242 (fax is automatic after closing). Email address is <a href="mailto:town@lamoine-me.gov">town@lamoine-me.gov</a>. A great deal of information is on the town's web site <a href="www.lamoine-me.gov">www.lamoine-me.gov</a>

**Dog Licenses** are due January 1<sup>st</sup> each year, and during the year when a new dog is acquired or when a puppy reaches 6-months of age. A valid Maine Rabies Certificate, and, if applicable, a spaying or neutering certificate are required.

**Tax Exemptions** – All persons claiming full or partial exemption from property tax must file a written certificate with the Lamoine Board of Assessors on or before April 1, 2006. Tractors and automobiles not excised on or before April 1 are subject to personal property tax. Homestead exemptions renew automatically, but new exemption requests are due by April 1, 2006.

**Automobile Registrations** – Excise tax must be paid at the town hall before registration. The town office staff can re-register most vehicles, but vehicles requiring a new license plate must complete the registration process with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. To reregister, you need to provide proof of insurance and the vehicle's mileage.

**Boats** – All watercraft registrations expire in December. Excise tax must be paid on all boats. All boats operating in fresh water must now obtain a special sticker at the time of registration indicating payment into the aquatic plant protection fund. Any boat moored at Lamoine State Park must obtain a mooring permit from the Harbor Master. Applications and renewals may be obtained at the Town Hall.

**Snowmobiles & ATVs** – Registration is done at the Town Hall.

**Building Permits** – The Lamoine Building & Land Use Ordinance and State Plumbing Code provide for fines of up to \$100 per day for work started prior to obtaining necessary permits. If you are considering projects and you have any doubt as to whether a permit is necessary, call the Code Enforcement Officer before starting. **Building Permits are required!** 

**Fiscal Year** – Lamoine's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30. Monies requested during the March 8, 2005 town meeting will cover the budget period from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 unless specified otherwise.

Tax Bills – These are mailed once the assessors complete the tax commitment, generally in August. Interest will accumulate after October 31, 2006. If you have purchased property before April 1, and you do not receive a tax bill, please contact the Tax Collector or Board of Assessors.

**Appointed Positions** – The Board of Selectmen appoints most of the positions listed on the previous pages. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities, please contact a Selectman, the Town Clerk or Administrative Assistant.

**Transfer Station** – The Lamoine Transfer Station & Recycling Center is open year round on Fridays and Saturdays. Summer hours on Friday are 8AM to 5PM; winter hours on Friday are Noon to 5PM. Saturday hours year round are 8AM to 5PM. You must have a sticker to use the transfer station; they are available free from the Town Office. Demolition Debris and bulky waste must be disposed of at your own expense at EMR in Southwest Harbor or the Ellsworth Transfer Station. Permits for the Ellsworth Transfer Station are for sale at the Town Office.

**Burning Permits** – Required for any type of outdoor open burning. They are available from Fire Chief Skip Smith, Captain Jim Hunnewell, Assistant Chief Stu Marckoon or at the Town Office. Permits are subject to time and condition restrictions.

## **Emergency Phone Numbers** 911 for all services.

**Cable Television** – Provided by Adelphia, 1-888-683-1000. (Local Government Programming is on Channel 7)